dismissed by the Hon'ble Single Judge and the moderation procedure was upheld by the Court. The petitioner went in appeal to the Division Bench of the same High Court and the same was also dismissed. Another candidate, along with seven others, has challenged the principles of moderation in connection with the same examination in the Hon'ble High Court at New Delhi and the same is pending before the Court. No candidate has challenged the results of the Civil Services (Main) Examination held in 1985. Two writ petitions were, however, filed in the Honble Delhi High Court, Delhi challenging the right of the Commission to hold re-examination for certain candidates in General Studies Paper-II consequent on the loss of some scripts in postal transit. Both the writ petitions were dismissed by the Hon'ble Delhi High Court. Government do not think it necessary or proper that marks assigned before moderation are communicated to the candidates. The system of moderation followed by UPSC has stood the test of time and has also been upheld by the High Court of Gujarat. There is, therefore, no reason to doubt either its technical soundness or the impartiality of the Union Public Service Commission.

Iraqi warning to foreigners to leave Iran

1359. SHRI J. K. JAIN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Iraq has warned all foreigners in Iran to leave Iran immediately to escape unprecedented air strikes likely to take place deep inside Iran;

(b) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement of the Commander of Iraqui Air Force in this regard;

(c) what is the number of Indian nationals in Iran at present; and

(d) what steps Government are taking to ensure safety of their life and property?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) and (b) The Commander of the Iraqui Air Force is reported to have said in an interview published on April 22 that the Iraqi forces will direct destructive attacks against vital economic and military targets of Iran. He then warned all foreigners working in Iranian establishments to leave the country.

(c) There are an estimated 5000 Indian nationals in Iran.

(d) The war between Iraq and Iran has been going on for the last six years. In the past, there have been similar warnings of intensified action by one side against the other. Our Embassy in Iran is in continuous contact with the Indian community.

Soviet withdrawal of moratorium on nuclear tests

1360. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that in view of continued nuclear tests by US, the Soviet Government has withdrawn the unilateral moratorium imposed by it on nuclear tests; and

(b) if so, what is the reatcion of the Government of India in the context of renewed nuclear race among the big powrs and Government's efforts towards disarmament, stating the role contemplated by Government to reduce world tension?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of India are concerned at the escalating nuclear arms race and are pursuing their efforts to

halt and curb it, as part of the six Nation Initiative and in other multilateral forums.

1361.[*Transferred to the 6th May, 1986*].

लक्ष्मी नारायण मन्दिर को उड़ाने का षड़यन्त्र

1362. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिनांक 24 अप्रैल, 1986 को दिल्ली में लक्ष्मीनारायण (बिड़ला) मन्दिर को उड़ा देने का षडयंत्र प्रकाश में आया, और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम निवास मिर्धा) : (क) जी हां, श्रीमान। लेकिन लक्ष्मीनारायण (बिड़ला) मन्दिर को उड़ा देने के षडयंत्र के बारे में स्थानीय पुलिस को सूचना 17-4-1986 को मिली थी न कि 24-4-1986 को।

(ख) प्राप्त सूचना के आधार पर, आतंकवादी और विघटनकारी गतिविधियां (निवारण) अधिनियम 1985 की धारा 4 के अन्तर्गत पुलिस स्टेशन, मन्दिर मार्ग, नई दिल्ली में एक मामला प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट सं० 176 तारीख 17-4-1986 दर्ज किया गया था। इस संबंध में एक व्यक्ति गिरफ्तार किया गया है।

Murders in Delhi

1363. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the number of murders committed in Delhi since 1st January, 1986 and how many cases have been solved so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): 79 murders have been committed in Delhi during the period from 1-1-1986 to 30-4-1986. Out of these 51 murders have since been worked out so far.

Represenation of different States Cadres' IAS Officers in Central Ministries

1364. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of secretaries and additional secretaries in various Central Ministries/Departments from each State separately;

(b) the names of States whose secretaries are given extended tenure and further renewal of extended tenure; and

(c) whether it is a fact that cadres of State of Gujarat do not find posting at the secretaries or additional secretaries level at present, if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) A statement showing the number of IAS officers of different States Cadres holding posts at the level of Additional Secretary and Secretary at the Centre is enclosed. (*See below*).

(b) The tenure rule is not applied to posts at the level of Secretary and hence the question of extension of tenure and further renewal of extended tenure does not arise.

(c) It is not a fact that officers of Gujarat Cadre do not find posting at the level of Secretary and Additional Secretary at the Centre. However, whenever any cadre is inadequately represented, appropriate action is taken to ensure a fair and balanced representation for that cadre.